

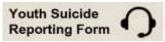
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In accordance with N.J. Statute. 30:9A-24. Report by teacher of attempted, completed suicide by student; other reporting requirements, the New Jersey Department of Children and Families has now made available a mechanism for required professionals below to **statistically report non-identifying demographic information regarding a student or youth who has either attempted or completed suicide**.

In an effort to avoid duplicative reporting, the professional is encouraged to follow the reporting policies and procedures of his/her respective agency. When ready, log onto DCF's website to submit the statistical report by clicking on the icon below that will be located on the right margin of the page. The reporting process will take less than 5 minutes of your time. Look for the following image linking you to the form:



- a. **Any teaching staff member**, who, as a result of information obtained in the course of the person's employment, has reasonable cause to suspect or believe that a student has attempted or completed suicide, shall promptly report such information to the division in a form and manner prescribed by the division.
- b. A nonpublic school is encouraged to require any member of its professional staff, who, as a result of information obtained in the course of the person's employment, has reasonable cause to suspect or believe that a student has attempted or completed suicide, to promptly report such information to the division in a form and manner prescribed by the division.

  As used in this subsection, "nonpublic school" means an elementary or secondary school within the State, other than a public school, offering education in grades K-12 or any combination thereof, at which a child may legally fulfill compulsory school attendance requirements.
- c. Any licensed psychologist, social worker, marriage and family therapist, professional counselor, physician, physician assistant, alcohol and drug counselor, or registered nurse or licensed practical nurse licensed in this State pursuant to Title 45 of the Revised Statutes, who, as a result of information obtained in the course of the person's employment, has reasonable cause to suspect or believe that a youth has attempted or completed suicide, shall promptly report such information to the division in a form and manner prescribed by the division.
- d. Any public health official, probation officer, employee of the Superior Court, Chancery Division, Family Part, Certified Domestic Violence Specialist, or member of a professional group identified by the council as having a likelihood to know about suicide attempts and deaths, who, as a result of information obtained in the course of the person's employment, has reasonable cause to suspect or believe that a youth has attempted or completed suicide, is encouraged to promptly report such information to the division in a form and manner prescribed by the division.

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